

BOARD MINUTES

RANDOLPH COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Asheboro, North Carolina

November 10, 2008

Supervisors Present:

Craig Frazier, Chairman
William Alston, V. Chairman
Shaun Hayes, Member
Richard Canoy, Secretary

Others Present:

Jenny Parks, Adm. Sec.
Randy Blackwood, DC
Wes Hicks, S&W Technician

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 a.m. by Frazier. Frazier welcomed everyone to the meeting. Travel vouchers were signed and returned.

ACTION ITEMS:

The October 13, 2008 Minutes were reviewed and corrections were made. Canoy moved, seconded by Alston, the board voted unanimously to accept the minutes of October 13, 2008.

There was no Treasurer's Report presented at this time. An updated report will be available at the December Board Meeting.

Parks presented the NACD Membership Invoice. Alston moved, seconded by Hayes, the board voted unanimously to pay the minimum installment of \$775 to NACD for membership dues.

Discussion was regarding a contribution to the 2009 North American Envirothon that will be held in Asheville, NC in August 2009. It was decided to postpone this item until May 2009.

Blackwood presented the NRCS Report as follows:

- Blackwood presented conservation plans for Richard Canoy and Tommy Canoy. Alston moved, seconded by Hayes, with Canoy abstaining, the board voted to approve conservation plans for Richard Canoy and Tommy Canoy.
- Blackwood shared a Home and Property Buyer's Guide for Chelan County in Washington State. Alan Walters, Soil Scientist with NRCS, suggested that counties in North Carolina may want to look at possibly adopting one of these guides. It was decided to discuss this item at the December Board Meeting.

Alston gave the RC&D Report as follows:

- Alston gave a brief update on the RC&D Projects currently being administered.
- Alston reported that the Piedmont Conservation Council will soon be including Wake County.
- Alston reported that there was a Council Meeting held on October 16th and the following items were discussed:
 - Council Membership Needs, Annual Report, NRCS/RC&D Goals 2008-2009, Old and New Projects, Trees Asheboro Partnership gave a presentation and they will be using the Asheboro Office for their administrative work.

Hicks gave the NCACSP Report as follows:

- Hicks reported that Mike Morgan remains out of compliance. He has been sent a certified letter stating that he should correct the problem with his BMP within 30 days. After the 30 days, staff checked the BMP once more and found it remained out of compliance and his new application will be moved to the bottom of the current list for funding. Alston moved, seconded by Hayes, the board voted unanimously to send Mike Morgan a letter, after Whitaker reviews the contract and confirms the dollar amount of repayment, to request repayment on his BMP that has been found out of compliance. Canoy moved, seconded by Alston, the board voted unanimously to have Whitaker check with David Williams with the Division of Soil and Water after discussion on original amount Morgan was to pay back to the State was felt to be incorrect.
- Hicks presented a Drought Program Application. Alston moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to approve the Drought Application for Tony Jackson.
- Canoy moved, seconded by Hayes, the board voted unanimously to approve contracts on pasture renovations for Keith Price, David Coble, and Ronald Hudson.
- Alston moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to approve the following drought contracts: Wylie Brown, William Kidd, Danny Simmons, Donald Herndon, and Marie Kidd.
- Canoy moved, seconded by Alston, after discussion, the board voted unanimously to approve the contract for Robin Redding for one cow due to her meeting all necessary requirements.
- Hicks informed the board that Raymond Brady needs extra pasture funds to complete his contract. Alston moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously for Whitaker to contact the State to see if there are any available funds for his contract to balance his contract.
- Alston moved, seconded by Canoy, the board voted unanimously to make the 2nd batch cutoff date for the drought response program Friday, November 14, 2008; and was decided to use the sign up date as a tie breaker for well request in the event of a tie.

Discussion was had regarding the December Board Meeting. Alston moved, seconded by Hayes, the board voted unanimously for the December Board Meeting be moved to Tuesday, December 9, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. to the address of 2049 Old Humble Mill Road, Asheboro, NC 27205.

Hicks reported that the Meredell EEP Project is under construction and a summary of the scope of work for the Sumner Project has been submitted.

Hicks presented a letter to districts requesting a signature on the CREP contract. Alston moved, seconded by Canoy, after discussion, the board voted unanimously to have Frazier contact Pat Harris regarding the addition of CREP to the Operation Agreement for Randolph SWCD.

Parks presented each supervisor with Gator Raffle Tickets for them to sell. Proceeds benefit the NCASWCD and the NC DEA. The raffle will be held during the NCASWCD Annual Meeting on January 6, 2009.

Parks presented NC DEA Membership forms to supervisors for them to join DEA as an Associate Member.

Parks presented the Annual Meeting information to the supervisors. Registration is done online and the deadline for pre-registration is 12/12/08. The Annual Meeting will be held in Durham January 4-6, 2009 at the Sheraton Imperial Hotel and Convention Center.

Information regarding the Executive Director for NCASWCD was dispersed for supervisors to review. This item will be discussed during the December Board Meeting.

Parks informed the board that staff will be at a job fair on Wednesday, November 12, 2008 at the YMCA. This event is sponsored by Cooperative Extension and will host 1,400 8th grade students.

The following consent items were approved:

- ENOTES – NACD (10/14/08, 10/21/08, 10/28/08, 11/4/08)
- Hugh Hammond Bennett Chapter Newsletter
- Division of Soil and Water Update
- TRC Information

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Chairman Signature

Date of Approved Minutes

The Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting will be December 9, 2008 at 6:00 p.m.
2049 Old Humble Mill Road
Asheboro, NC 27205